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Claim 51 is directed to the method of die cutting of the segment of the web and the claim calls for die cutting elements which are located at the die cutting station to die cut the segment while accurately positioning relative to the die cutting elements. Thus, claim 51 is definite in all respects.

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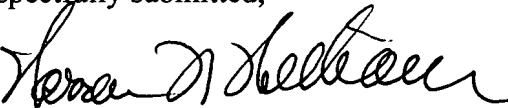
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Any additional fee which is due in connection with this amendment should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

In view of the foregoing, a Notice of Allowance appears to be in order and such is courteously solicited.

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

The present title in the Specification has been deleted and the following new title is substituted therefor:

METHOD FOR SIMULTANEOUS X, Y AND  $\theta$  REGISTRATION OF SEGMENT OF CONTINUOUS WEB WITH A PROCESSING STATION [WEB OR SHEET-FED APPARATUS HAVING HIGH-SPEED MECHANISM FOR SIMULTANEOUS X, Y AND  $\theta$  REGISTRATION AND METHOD]